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BARRY FARBER: "Sylvia Press, a lot of people, including Malcolm Muggeridge, writing in Esquire, claim that the Central Intelligence Agency suppressed your book when it was first written eight years ago.

"You were a former intelligence officer yourself. As a former intelligence officer, do you believe that?"

PRESS: "I honestly don't know what to say as an intelligence officer. Of course, it would be rather satisfying, I suppose, in a way to think that they had, that it was important enough for them to want to do it, but I don't know who the source is, and as a former intelligence officer, I always put a great deal of stress on the source."

FARBER: "I want to know how the Central Intelligence Agency could suppress a book even if it wanted to."

PRESS: "Well, as I envisioned it, when it was told to me, apparently they bought up copies that were on the market. I suppose anyone could do that if they had enough money."

FARBER: "Right, but then isn't the publisher and the free enterprise economy going to say, hot dog, that was a good customer; let's print a few thousand more?"

PRESS: "Well, I suppose it would depend upon on how enterprising the publisher was."

FARBER: "Your book is fiction. If you'd written it as non-fiction, you'd probably be in jail by now."

PRESS: "Well, I don't know. I haven't given away any secrets that I should not have or that Mr. Dulles himself has not spoken of and written on in the public press."